

# B is for Bookworm: A Library Alphabet 

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## Bookworm Compound Word Fun

Read the following definitions for each compound word containing the word "book." Choose the correct compound word from the word box and write your answer on the line.

| bookmobile <br> bookplate <br> bookworm | bookshelf <br> sketchbook <br> bookend | bookstore <br> notebook <br> cookbook |
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1. A piece of furniture with shelves for holding books.
2. Someone who spends much time reading or studying.
3. A store where books are sold.
4. A truck or van equipped to serve as a mobile lending library.
5. A prop placed at the end of a row of books to keep them upright.
6. A label with the owner's name pasted on the inside cover of a book.
7. A book containing recipes.
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8. A book of sketches.
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9. A book of blank pages for notes.


## Bookworm Benjamin Franklin

Read page B of B is for Bookworm, and then answer the following questions.

1. List two of Benjamin Franklin's jobs.
2. What was the name of the club Benjamin Franklin and his friends started?
3. Why did the club members wear leather aprons?
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4. What was the fee for becoming a member of the first subscription lending library? $\qquad$
5. Where is it believed that the first public library in America was established? $\qquad$
6. How much money did Andrew Carnegie give to build 65 branch libraries in New York City? $\qquad$
7. Do you consider yourself to be a bookworm? $\qquad$
8. What do you think Benjamin Franklin would say about our libraries of today? $\qquad$


## TOP TEN REASONS TO VISIT THE LIBRARY

How can a library card open a door to the world? Turn to page C of $B$ is for Bookworm and find out what a library card can do for you.

Read the additional suggestions listed below and then create your own list of top ten reasons to visit the library. Be creative and add your own ideas!

Join a book group
Look at the latest fashion magazine
Read the local newspaper
Find a large print book
Listen to a speaker
Use the meeting room for your club
Borrow a game
Learn a foreign language
Look at historical documents and pictures
Find a map of the world
Find a new recipe
Meet the ultimate search engine - your librarian

Research for a report
Use the computer
Reserve a best-seller
Check out a video
Surf the Internet
Find a mystery story
Listen to CDs
Meet an author
View a DVD
Listen to an audiotape
Watch a puppet show
Learn something new

MY TOP TEN REASONS TO VISIT THE LIBRARY
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## The K ey to K nowledge

Your library card is your key for the library, opening the door to a world of knowledge. Visit your library; then, on the keys below, write interesting facts and new words you have discovered while reading.


Turn to page D of $B$ is for Bookworm to learn about Melvil Dewey and the development of the Dewey Decimal Classification System. Write the category number in which each of the following books would be found.

Category Number

1. Geography/History
2. Languages/Grammar
3. Medicine/Technology
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4. General Knowledge $\qquad$
5. Religions/Mythology
6. Mathematics/Natural Science
7. Arts/Recreation $\qquad$
8. Literature $\qquad$
9. Philosophy/Psychology $\qquad$
10. Social Studies/Folklore $\qquad$

## EARLY BOOKS

Instead of using paper and pencil, imagine writing your spelling words on a clay tablet! Read page E of $B$ is for Bookworm to learn about other early books.

## Practice your spelling words on a play dough tablet.

## Play Dough Recipe

## Ingredients

1 cup water
1 tsp vegetable oil
food color
1 cup flour

$1 / 2$ cup salt

## Directions (ask for adult supervision)

In a microwaveable bowl, combine water, vegetable oil, and food coloring. Mix in the flour and salt. Microwave on high for three minutes; stir after every minute. Play dough should be thick. Let cool, then knead into shape. Store the play dough in an airtight container.

## Hieroglyphics

Ancient Egyptians used hieroglyphics, picture-writing, to record information. More than 2,000 hieroglyphic characters represented objects or ideas related to the pictures.
A rebus is a modern type of hieroglyphic writing. A rebus puzzle is like a picture puzzle of words, symbols, or pictures intended to represent a short saying or meaning.
Try to solve the following rebus puzzles.

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## Fiction and Nonfiction Books <br> 



Turn to page F of B is for Bookworm to learn the difference between fiction and nonfiction books. Circle the books below that are nonfiction.


Read facts and information about libraries.


Penny discovers her true worth with the help of a friend.


An overgrown pine tree wishes to be a Christmas tree.


A kind-hearted spider shows insects how to play golf and be friends.


Learn about our government.


Read facts and information about America's landmarks.

## My Illustrations



Illustrate your favorite book character on vacation.


Illustrate your favorite book character eating pizza.


## Know Where to Look

Visit the library on page K of $B$ is for Bookworm.

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Archives
Circulation desk
Stacks
Vertical file
Card catalog - computer online catalog
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1. Where in the library could you find public records and historical documents?
2. Where in the library are the books shelved?
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3. Where are newspaper clippings, brochures, and pamphlets stored?
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4. Where do you check out or return a book?
$\qquad$
5. Where do you find the files of all the items the library contains?
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Find these places the next time you visit your library. Put a check by the word in the word box for each place you find!



There's a mouse in the library!
Your grandmother may have been frightened by a mouse in the library, but in today's libraries, or media centers, the mouse you will most likely find is connected to a computer!

Find the mouse on page M of $B$ is for Bookworm. Refer to this page as you unscramble the following items found in media centers.
vtapideoes mfils
scasette pates
mocpact dskis
bkoos
gamaznies
papsnewers
cupomters
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What is another name for librarian?


## Traveling Libraries

Trek to page T of B is for Bookworm to learn about traveling libraries!

If you were asked to select five books to send along with one of the traveling libraries to Kenya or Zimbabwe, what books would you decide to send?

List the five books you would send and explain why you chose each book.

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## Word Stories Bookmark

Word stories tell the "story" of how a word came into our language. Throughout B is for Bookworm, word stories can be found. Skim and search for these words with word stories and write them on the bookmark. Cut out the following pieces and fold along the dotted line. Slip one folded paper inside the other and staple along the edge. Continue to add new words that you discover when reading.


## AND THE WINNER IS? . . .

Turn to page W of B is for Bookworm to learn about the highly prized awards given yearly to children's authors and illustrators.


List three or more winners of the John Newbery Medal.

List three or more winners of the Randolph Caldecott Medal.

Need help? Ask your librarian!

## The Parts of a Book



Refer to page U of $B$ is for Bookworm and match the part of the book with the correct definition.

| Preface | Extra information at the end of the book |
| :--- | :--- |
| Table of Contents | An alphabetical list of topics with page numbers |
| Glossary | An introduction - tells what the book is about |
| Bibliography | A list of chapters with page numbers |
| Appendix | An alphabetical listing of definitions and <br> pronunciations of words from the book |
| Index | A list of other books you might want to read |

What information will you find on the title page?

Who is the author of $B$ is for Bookworm?

Who is the illustrator of $B$ is for Bookworm?



## Increasing Your Vocabulary

A thesaurus is also helpful in increasing your vocabulary. Use a thesaurus to write synonyms for the following words.

Remember synonyms are words that have the same or nearly the same meaning.
morning $\qquad$
grasp
calm
shy

afraid
lid
yell
cloth
pants
giggle


## J ob Posting

Seeking librarian - Must have a love for reading and books. Organizational skills are necessary. Must be cooperative and helpful. Computer skills are also required.

Contact your local library and inquire about volunteer positions!

How many libraries does the American Library Association estimate are in the United States? Turn to page Y of B is for Bookworm to find out!

Have you ever thought about a career as a librarian? Wonder what a job as a librarian would be like? Learn more about this profession by interviewing your librarian. Use the following questionnaire and add questions of your own.

1. Do you enjoy your job as a librarian?
2. How long have you been a librarian?
3. Where did you obtain your degree?
4. What is the best part of your job?
5. How many books from this library have you read?
6. What is the most difficult part of your job?
7. Do you enjoy researching for information?
8. If you could change one thing about your job, what would it be?
9. Would you rather be called a media specialist instead of a librarian?
10. Explain what a typical day is like for a librarian.

## BookwormCrossword

## Down

1. Stories with a lesson - The Ant and the Grasshopper
2. "Father of Modern Librarianship"
3. Part of the Dewey Decimal System - some are just letters
4. Nonfiction books - atlas, almanac, encyclopedia

## Across

1. Special collection of public records and historical documents
2. Category of books that are filled with facts and information
3. Someone who loves to read
4. Author of The Cat in the Hat
5. Gutenberg's first major printing job
6. Inventor of the printing press


## Bookworm word Search

AUTHOR<br>ILLUSTRATOR<br>LIBRARY<br>ONLINE

MAGAZINES
KNOWLEDGE
VOCABULARY
RESEARCH

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## Answer Key

## Bookworm Compound Word Fun

1. bookshelf
2. bookworm
3. bookstore
4. bookmobile
5. bookend
6. bookplate
7. cookbook
8. sketchbook
9. notebook

Bookworm Benjamin Franklin

1. Any two: printer, an author, a librarian, a statesman, an inventor
2. Leather Apron Club
3. The club members were printers, carpenters, blacksmiths, silversmiths, and candle and soap makers, and they wore aprons to protect their clothing.
4. 40 shillings to join and 10 shillings each year
5. Charleston, South Carolina
6. Over five million dollars
7. Answers will vary
8. Answers will vary

Melvil Dewey

1. 900
2. 400
3. 600
4. 000
5. 200
6. 500
7. 700
8. 800
9. 100
10. 300

Early Books

1. I understand
2. I love you
3. Be happy
4. Heart to heart

Fiction and Nonfiction Books
The books that should be circled are: B is for Bookworm, D is for Democracy, One Nation

Know Where to Look

1. Archives
2. Stacks
3. Vertical file
4. Circulation desk
5. Card catalog - computer online catalog

Media Centers
Videotapes, films, cassette tapes, compact disks, books, magazines, newspapers, computers Media specialists

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Index - An alphabetical list of topics with page numbers
The names of the author, illustrator, and the publisher
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Increasing Your Vocabulary (Thesaurus)
Sample answers
Morning - dawn, daybreak
Grasp - grip, hold
Calm - serene, peaceful
Shy - timid, frightened
Afraid - scared, frightened
Lid - cover, top
Yell - shout, scream
Cloth - fabric, material
Pants - slacks, trousers
Giggle - laugh, chuckle
Bookworm Crossword

Down

1. fables
2. Melvil Dewey
3. Call number
4. Reference

Across

1. archives
2. nonfiction
3. bookworm
4. Dr. Seuss
5. Bible
6. Gutenberg

Word Search

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